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CHAPTER IX.

It was o'clock on the evening succeeding the events recorded in the last chapter, when Lucy Millicent's maid, rushed sobbing into Mrs. Brand's bedroom.

"Oh ma'm! Oh, my young lady! Oh ma'm! Oh, poor Miss Millicent!"

"What! What is it? Speak, girl!" ejaculated Mrs. Brand, her face growing pale with nervous expectation.

"Oh, ma'm! that I should live to see this day! Oh, poor, dear Miss Grey! Her as I was fond of! Her as never said a word unkind to a mortal soul! To see her now, and to think that only yesterday——"

"What do you mean, girl?" cries Mrs. Brand ringing the bell frantically. "Good heavens! What has happened to Miss Grey?"

"Oh! to only look at her ma'm—I thought I'd have dropped at her feet when I pushed the door back, never knowing why I was to hard to open and she lying against it, with her poor head——"

"A woman will drive me mad!" cries Mrs. Brand in a choked tone, and, hurrying past her, made her way to Millicent's bedroom.

Already two or three servants have gathered there. The door is open, and they are stooping over something lying on the floor almost immediately beyond the threshold.

Mrs. Brand, with a little cry, and pale and trembling, rushes forward, the servants part involuntarily, and there lying upon the ground to all appearance life less is Millicent. Her head is thrown backward, and one hand is tightly clinched.

She is fainting. It is only a faint!" cried Mrs. Brand with an anguish in her tone that belies the meaning of her words. "What are you all standing idle there for?" turning upon the terrified women. "Has no one thought of sending for a doctor?"

She is down on her knees now beside the pale still form, and has raised the cold head on her arm.

Yes ma'm. James has gone for a doctor," says the housemaid nervously.

"Help me to lift her. So! Oh! be quick, girl! There—on her bed. Pull up the blinds—what are they down for on a this hour?—one would think she was dead!

She says this vehemently, with a sort of defiance. But the awful word is too much for her—it has hardly passed her lips when her fictitious anger gives way, she bursts into tears, and, falling on her knees beside the bed, she stretches out her arms to the unconscious body.

"Oh! my child! My pretty girl! What is it? What has happened to you? Oh! will one, speak to me!"

The doctor entering at this moment, she calms herself by a supreme effort, for in truth the poor woman is terribly nervous—no smallest suspicion of tragedy has ever come near her before, in all her calm, luxurious life.

"H'm! h'm!" says Dr. Thesby, sniffing about him suspiciously as he walks slightly to the bedside and stoops over Millicent. "Young lady been playing pranks with chloroform?"

"Oh, no! impossible," exclaims Mrs. Brand. "Indeed I hardly think there is any in the house. Certainly none that is not under lock and key in my own room."

"Nevertheless there is chloroform here or has been," says the doctor, sniffing curiously. He has been examining Millicent while speaking, and now calls for certain things to be brought him by the attending servants. Seeing Mrs. Brand's distress he turns kindly to her. "I can't quite make it out yet, but pray compose yourself my dear madame. Your niece is by no means beyond the power of man yet."

And indeed at the expiration of half an hour or so Millicent is so far recovered as to be able to smile upon them, and whisper a word or two to her aunt.

"No whispering," says Dr. Thesby, rubbing his hands. "Though I agree with you my dear lady that no time should be lost about seeing into this—er—truly extraordinary affair. What d'ye say my good woman?" turning sharply to one of the maids.

A handkerchief is picked up by you! Lying on Miss Grey's face—or parts of it! Think what you are saying now my good girl, as I dare say you will have to repeat it pretty often hereafter."

Yes. The girl had picked it up when first she entered over Miss Grey. It was not exactly over her face but looked as if it had slipped off it.

The doctor folding it neatly puts it in his breast pocket. Important evidence maybe—if you will permit me I will make a note of it. Heavily saturated with chloroform I should say from the strength of the aroma that still clings to it."

Let me see it," says Millicent and oddly in a voice so much stronger and with such excitement on her pale face that the doctor thinks it better to accede to her request while still entreating her to be calm—be calm and above all things to be calm.

As if said Millicent afterward to Nadine any one could be expected to be calm who had just escaped being murdered and had had the finest sapphires in England stolen from her.

The handkerchief is a large, coarse common one white in color and of such a texture as might be used by a respectable artisan on a holiday making.

It is a clew," says the doctor triumphantly but Millicent though she could not have put her conviction into words, feels that it will never help to bring the real offender to justice.

But what brought the man here—that is what I want to know" demands Mrs. Brand, with a little spreading of her hands, when the doctor has called some hours later to find his patient has been sleeping quietly during his absence, and has only roused to consciousness again upon his entrance.

Not a word I say! Let her speak—not a word" says Mrs. Brand, with very pardonable pride considering the extent of her curiosity.

"Well I must speak now," murmurs Millicent, still very feebly, but with a decided increase of strength that the doctor finds very satisfactory.

"Why, we shall have her downstairs in no time," declares he jovially.

Then Millicent launches into a description of the man who had thrown a hand kerchief over her face and left her to die or die, as chances dictated, while he made good his escape. It is this information that calls forth from Mrs. Brand the question as to what brought him into her house at all at that unseemly midnight hour.

"Ah! auntie!" says the girl, looking at her out of her cushioned arm chair with great pathetic eyes that have grown greater because of the regretful tears that are filling them. "Do you not know? Do you not guess? When you opened my hand, and the sapphire locket dropped out, did you guess nothing then?"

"No, child—no."

"That locket is a gift to me."

"A gift! I know that," impatiently. "A gift from your Uncle Timothy, with all the rest of those very beautiful stones. A magnificent gift, truly."

"No!—a gift from the man who has stolen all those married stones!"

"Stolen!" Mrs. Brand falls back in her chair, and gazes at Millicent with horror stricken eyes.

"What! Gone! Those priceless sapphires!" cries Dr. Thesby, who is an old friend of Mrs. Brand's, and had been shown the sumptuous gift of Timothy Boyle when first presented to Miss Grey.

"Ah!" says Millicent, laughing hysterically, "the burglar evidently did not think them, as you do, priceless. No doubt he is already pricing them—is arranging how to break them up and sell them—breaking up—my lovely—neck lace—my beautiful!"—Here being still very weak, she gives up her mournful description, and subsides into a storm of tears.

"There, there, darling! Oh, don't cry like that! Think of your weak state. But what an audacious thing! Bless me, what will your uncle say? Now, my dearest love, I implore you to control yourself. Remember how that unmitigated villain nearly deprived you of your life only a few short hours ago! In this very chamber, Dr. Thesby. Oh! to think of it! It must have almost happened on the very spot!" Here she grows tragic, and speaks in a deep bass tone that she believes befits the occasion. "Oh! Millicent, darling, you will break my heart—your old auntie's heart—if you keep on sobbing like that. Dear! dear! dear! to think that those sapphires—heirlooms, I might safely say—are now being melted down—that is, are now being melted down—that is, broken up, or whatever it is these terrible men do to them—while we are sitting in active here! Can nothing be done? Oh! doctor—Dr. Thesby! What is the matter with her now?—has that wretch succeeded in killing her after all?"

Millicent, in fact, driven to despair by this prolonged lament, has gone into violent hysterics.

"No ma'm, he hasn't," says the doctor, with severe meaning, who had tried to stem the flow of Mrs. Brand's eloquence, eagerly but ineffectually, during the past five minutes.

CHAPTER X.

It is about five in the afternoon when Nadine rushes up the stairs, horrified by what she has just heard in the hall, and flings herself into her friend's arms.

"Such a thing to happen to you!" she cries, in her little rapid fashion. "The miserc ant!—the assassin! Oh, Millicent, when Brown" (the butler) "stopped me in the hall to tell me the dreadful news I nearly fainted. Only the idea of seeing you face to face to make sure of your escape sustained me, and gave me strength to get here."

Indeed she is as pale as a ghost and her eyes are full of tears. Sweet eyes, as fu l of love as tears.

Well, now you have seen me," with a touch and a gentle shake administered to the trembling Nadine, "cheer up a bit, let the blood flow into these wan cheeks. Talking about blood flowing I'm glad mine was not let loose last night."

Oh, don't—don't!" says Nadine, shuddering violently.

Well I are there. I have unnerved you and I ought to be ashamed of myself. But the fact is, I am unnerved myself only my nervousness has the effect of raising a sense of ridicule within me. I cannot keep from jesting on last night's adventure though I dare say to morrow I shall be prostrated. It is a strange excitement, better not imitate." Well' it is an ill wind that blows no one good. You cannot compel me Nadine that you are' to stammer over my former so-day."

An arrangement had been entered into between them some weeks ago when Millicent had been brought out and was supposed to have left her childhood and the schoolroom behind her. Nadine, for many reasons, would not consent to be her companion. One was because she could not wall leave her mother, another because of her engagement to Paul Annerley another (was it so very important?) because she could not give up the tuition of Mr Duran's little daughter. So Millicent had squared matters by declaring to her auntie that though she considered she knew as much music as would carry her through life her knowledge of German was still singularly deficient and auntie, delighted at this trait of intellectual diligence in her niece, had at once requested Miss Roche to continue her three visits a week to Park lane as heretofore.

"Tell me about it," says Nadine breathlessly her big blue eyes enlarged with fear and curiosity. She has seated herself on a dainty pric dieu, and is leaning forward with clasped hands in an attitude highly suggestive of prayer and there fore highly suited to the chair.

Millicent, nothing loath makes her a present of the entire scene from beginning to end.

He might have been a much worse burglar all things considered, and there was quite a touch of chivalry—an suppleton of Claude Duval—in the fact of his having me a present of my own locket" she says, still unable to refrain from turning the whole thing into ridicule.

To go to the very root of the matter it must be confessed that I am the proud possessor of his heart. He left me that at least."

"The coward" says Nadine, clasping her pretty hands to attack alone one poor woman! But, Millicent, from what you tell me, I—I don't think the burglar could have been quite a common man. Was he tall—handsome?"

Handsome. Why, I couldn't see a feature in his face. You don't suppose that that sort of person comes bound with an open, ingenious countenance, ready for all men's inspection? If so you are mistaken. My burglar came with a mask that prevented me from seeing the chief features that I feel convinced lay beneath it. Altogether he was not of the common every day lot that one meets. He was a departure from the regular lines. He was strange to me. Strange. And yet——

Suddenly the half mocking wholly gay air she has used hitherto drops from her and she turns upon Nadine a startled glance. She leans toward her, and laying her hand upon her shoulders subjects her to an exhaustive scrutiny.

I must speak. I must tell you" she says at last. "It has weighed upon me ever since, and—and—the others would consider it in the light of a nightmare, or else say the idea arose from a feeling of nervous horror but it did not.

What is it Millicent? You forget I do not understand" says Nadine a little awed by the solemnity of the other's glance.

"Just this that that terrible burglar, from the time he entered my room to the time he left it, seemed strangely familiar. I cannot account for it. His voice I never heard before. He was dressed in the clothes of a common workman and I know no workman. His face, indeed, was hidden——

She stops abruptly as though oppressed by some hidden thought.

"Yes, it was hidden," she says at last. "Yet I am pursued by a hideous fear that if I could have removed that mask the features would have been familiar to me!"

She sinks back in her chair, looking pale and exhausted.

"It is mere nervousness," says Nadine tenderly. "A chimera arising from an overwrought sensibility. Do not think of him again, darling. Rest and time will cure you of that foolish phantasy."

"Nothing will cure me of the certainty that a face well known to me lay behind that humble mask," returns Millicent with a shudder.

She rallies a little after a while and a swift smile curves her lips.

"We are a doomed family," she says gayly "a prey to burglars. First my aunt, Lady Valworth's diamonds disappear, not to be restored by all the detective power in England, and now my sapphires! Poor Uncle Timothy! he gave much of his life to a contemplation of those stones and now a vulgar criminal is the possessor of them. It is very cruel of me to laugh, is it not? Especially as I am the only one that can see a comical side of the affair. Yes, I am sorry that I am not more sorry because of their disappearance."

"Has Mr Boyle yet heard of their being stolen?"

"Not yet. He was to have been here this morn ng, but——

"He was here this morning, darling," says Mrs. Brand, who has just entered the room and heard the drift of the conversation, "but you were then so weak that of course I could not see him. He heard nothing as I told Brown to be silent about our sensation to any caller—so he merely left word that he hoped your headache would be better soon (I suggested headache to Brown as a general and safe sort of not at home), and that he would call again to-morrow morning."

"Wonderfully attentive for him," says Millicent, smoothing down the laces of her loose gown.

"Dear fellow! He is always all he ought to be! So like his good father," says Mrs. Brand effusively.

"Inspector Dunn has just been here," goes on Mrs. Brand presently. "He seems a clever man, and holds out great hopes of being able to capture the robber and restore to you your sapphires! I ran up at once to tell you. He seems to think it will be difficult to get rid of the sapphires, even should the robber go to Antwerp or some of those foreign places. All the shipping ports are being closely watched. He really gave me great hope. Your uncle Timothy has been here on and off all day, but I would not let him see you, he was so excited. Of course he feels the loss of the jewels. He thought a great deal of them. That is hardly to be wondered at, my dear Nadine considering their size and their purity. I assure you, people have been known to go out of their minds for far less cause. Are you going now, my dear? Well, I suppose it is getting late such a comfort it has been to me to know you were with Milli ent while I was trying to explain things to those stupid Dr. Thesbys. They would have it that my poor child had had her skull crushed in, and that the burglar had been discovered hiding behind the drawing room curtains—such nonsense, you know! Well, good night, then, dear child Be sure you come as early as you can on Thursday. Millicent is always so much better when she has had an hour with you."

Having kissed Nadine, of whom indeed she is extremely fond, Mrs. Brand ushers her down the staircase and through the hall.

CHAPTER XI.

"The thing is how to discover him. Those fellows nowadays are so difficult to unearth, and our detective system is so painfully inefficient."

"I don't want him," says Millicent who is looking very pretty and fragile in her invalid gown of white cashmere and lace. "I only want my sapphires. I was saying to auntie only this morning what a very remarkable thing it is, that both Lady Valworth—your mother—and I should have been made a prey of burglars."

Odd! The same thought struck me only this morning," says Grant, showing all his white teeth as he smiles. "What a bite he could give," thinks his fiancee, watching him. "Quite a comfort dence, eh? But it must be acknowledged your loss is even greater than hers. Those sapphires were unrivaled, and will fetch a high price anywhere."

"Your loss, too Grant," says Mrs Brand. "Your future wife"—with a smile at Millicent—"will lose a little of her prestige now she has ceased to be the possessor of these famous jewels."

"My future wife" says Grant gracefully "will not need the addition of any jewels to make her the most beautiful woman in England."

"Oh, gush!" cries Miss Grey, springing suddenly to her feet and rushing across the room to a mirror. "Am I that? The most beautiful woman in England. Am I that now my good Grant? Or is it the fact of being your wife that will make me so?"

Now of course. And then, too I hope.

Wrong now at all events, my friend after an exhaustive examination of her pretty form in the mirror. "I know some one at this very moment who is unspeakably better worth looking at than I am."

Lady Landing?"

No I prefer myself to her. I was thinking of my little friend—my youthful instructress—Nadine Roche. By the bye what a singular thing that you have never seen her."

Quite as singular that she has never seen me."

She did—once."

Boyle turns straight round and looks at her. He had been teasing the parrot up to this. Though he does not speak, something in his face compels her to answer him as though he had done so.

Yes—once really, so you are not as unknown to fame as you imagine."

She told you so?"

She confessed as much. But, as you seem modest about it, perhaps it will comfort you to learn that what she did see was only the back of your head, and a bit of your nose. You know, if you will wear your nose so long you cannot expect it to altogether escape observation."

Grant laughs.

So that was all she saw? She can have no idea then what a good looking fellow I am" he says, with a mischievous shrug.

Not the slightest. Your persistent refusal to oblige all your admirers by sitting to a photographer has put it out of my power to give Nadine some faint idea of your charms."

Just as well she might have been overpowered by them," returns Grant, who has gone back to his task of reducing the parrot to a state of frenzy.

Not that I believe in photographs," goes on Millicent. "There is Letty Lumsden she looks like a Venus on card board—like a dairyma id in the flesh."

To say nothing of Mrs Denby who looks like a saint in the flesh and like a Bacchante, as portrayed by Dessemaine. I m rather glad I m out of it. I rejoice to think my face is still my own. Photos"—with a curious little laugh—"are dangerous."

If every one thought that the detectives would be oftener at fault than they are, says Mrs Brand. Photographs have been the means of bringing many criminals to justice."

As I have said—they are dangerous," replies her nephew.

I wish we had some picture of the wretch who has robbed Millicent."

But you see you haven't."

You take it very easily—yet you must regret the jewels, Grant," says Mrs. Brand fretfully, who is of opinion that nothing now should be thought of but the irreparable loss her niece has sustained, and who regards the present frivolity as being distinctly in bad taste, considering all things. Indeed, she would have considered it hardly out of place if some one had pulled down the blinds and put muffling on the knocker.

I assure you I do not regret them. I have nothing to regret," returns he, laughing lightly. Then he looks at Millicent. "How can I find room for regret when I see my cousin safe and well?"

Millicent is as touched by his manner as it would be possible for him to move her.

"Certainly he bears the loss of those jewels very well," she says to herself, "and he used to be their most extravagant admirer. Sometimes it irritated me to think he looked upon them with a proprietorial eye, but after all I believe I wronged him. If they were still in my possession or in his he could not be more unconcerned."

She gives him a little kindly glance as a reward for this, which seems to afford him some secret amusement.

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There is a slight return of his sneering tone here—the tone that had driven her to passionate anger during that interview at the last dance she had attended. She has seen fit to forget that scene, and so has he, but just now she is strongly reminded of it. Mrs. Brand, scenting mischief in the air, comes to the rescue.

"Tut," says she, "what an absurd question to arise! Let Miss Roche's name alone. I must say, Millicent, you show but questionable taste when you drag your little friend's name into such an affair. I could tell you something more to the purpose, but, mum, mum, mum is the word."

"Oh, auntie, you have heard some thing!" cries Millicent, pouncing down upon her. "You have had news, and, naughty woman that you are, you have hidden it from me. Come, out with it! Your bleed will be upon your own head if you delay for another moment."

"But I assure you, my dearest girl"——

"Your dearest girl is disgusted with your duplicity. Come, speak, I say. One, two—three will be your death sig nal. Grant, do you take no interest in the proceedings? Are you not longing to hear of the capture of the capturer of my sapphires?"

She is kneeling beside Mrs. Brand, having thrown her arms coaxingly around her so cannot see Grant's face, but she can hear his laugh.

"Yes, let us know what kind of a fel low he is," he says.

"Nonsense. Of course it has not come to that yet, but there is a clew—a strong clew." And oddly enough, the detective tells me they believe our burglar is the very one who had a hand in abstracting your mother's diamonds"—she is speaking now to Boyle, "that struck me as being very remarkable.

Looks as if it was some one connected with the family. You will bear me out that I have all along directed attention to the servants," says Grant. "It is a thousand pities this clever detective of yours was not called in at the Valworth affair. I blame myself very much for recommending Simpson, who really did nothing so far as I can hear."

They are attaching a good deal of importance to the handkerchief Dr Thesby took into his possession. They have discovered something about that."

Indeed. It was a common handkerchief, I think you told me."

"Quite coarse."

"Well, you could hardly expect a burglar to have a cambric one."

Grant seems amused.

"My burglar was not a common man, whatever your mother's may have been," interposes Millicent. His voice I cannot describe because it was distinctly fashioned but something in his whole air forbade the thought that he was of the lower classes. I cannot explain I must only ask you to try to understand and follow me."

The miscreant" ejaculates Mrs. Brand indignantly.

In spite of all I really confess to a feeling of sentimental regard for him," says Millicent, gayly. He might have murdered me but he refrained, and he was so far removed from any suspicion of meanness that he actually forced a gift upon me ere he left. Consider that auntie, and be more lenient in your abuse."

I dare say you will persuade yourself by degrees that he fell in love with you says Mrs Brand, who is a little offended at any jesting on so solemn a subject.

And why not, then? Am I not of a presence sufficiently noble to enthrall this modern Turpin?" Miss Grey demands this saucily of her aunt. "Look out for your laurels, Grant, there is a rival in the field."

I know it, if you allude to Massareene," replies he in a whisper, too low for Mrs. Brand to hear.

Boyle turns straight round and looks at her. He had been teasing the parrot up to this. Though he does not speak, something in his face compels her to answer him as though he had done so.

Yes—once really, so you are not as unknown to fame as you imagine."

She told you so?"

She confessed as much. But, as you seem modest about it, perhaps it will comfort you to learn that what she did see was only the back of your head, and a bit of your nose. You know, if you will wear your nose so long you cannot expect it to altogether escape observation."

Grant laughs.

So that was all she saw? She can have no idea then what a good looking fellow I am" he says, with a mischievous shrug.

Not the slightest. Your persistent refusal to oblige all your admirers by sitting to a photographer has put it out of my power to give Nadine some faint idea of your charms."

Just as well she might have been overpowered by them," returns Grant, who has gone back to his task of reducing the parrot to a state of frenzy.

Not that I believe in photographs," goes on Millicent. "There is Letty Lumsden she looks like a Venus on card board—like a dairymaid in the flesh."

To say nothing of Mrs Denby who looks like a saint in the flesh and like a Bacchante, as portrayed by Dessemaine. I m rather glad I m out of it. I rejoice to think my face is still my own. Photos"—with a curious little laugh—"are dangerous."

If every one thought that the detectives would be oftener at fault than they are, says Mrs Brand. Photographs have been the means of bringing many criminals to justice."

As I have said—they are dangerous," replies her nephew.

I wish we had some picture of the wretch who has robbed Millicent."

But you see you haven't."

You take it very easily—yet you must regret the jewels, Grant," says Mrs. Brand fretfully, who is of opinion that nothing now should be thought of but the irreparable loss her niece has sustained, and who regards the present frivolity as being distinctly in bad taste, considering all things. Indeed, she would have considered it hardly out of place if some one had pulled down the blinds and put muffling on the knocker.

I assure you I do not regret them. I have nothing to regret," returns he, laughing lightly. Then he looks at Millicent. "How can I find room for regret when I see my cousin safe and well?"

Millicent is as touched by his manner as it would be possible for him to move her.

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"You mean!" says Massareene, a little sharply, taking a step forward.

"Just what I said, dear boy—that you were eminently sober. Could I have better testimony to your character Miss Grey—as you seem to have some doubts about the accuracy of my statement—will, I am sure, corroborate what I have just said."

"I refuse to give my countenance to anything you may chance to say," returns Millicent, in a low tone, but with flashing eyes.

She has understood the drift of her cousin's remarks, and bitterly resents them. She may not be overkind always to Massareene, but she will permit no one else to be uncivil to him.

"What" cries Boyle, gayly, arching his brows and lifting his shoulders in a foreign fashion that either belongs to him or has been cultivated to a nicety, "you disagree with me? You really think that our friend's extremely—er—em presse manner, his hurried entrance, etc., —meant—the—er—the other thing? Really, dear Massareene, I would not stand that if I were you. You look as if you would like to murder somebody"—with a light laugh—"that is the standing condition of your countrymen, eh? Why not call Miss Grey out?"

"Dueling is out of fashion, and one only horsewhips men," replies Massareene, meaningly, with his eyes fixed steadily upon his opponent.

"Oh, but a duel under such conditions—that cannot be out of fashion, as it has never yet come in. Why not set it? Be a leader of it? And a tete a tete with Miss Grey, even under such equivocal circumstances, might not be altogether without its charm."

He throws out this last taunt quite carelessly—making even a slight movement of the hand that somehow adds to the aggressive impertinence of it.

Massareene throws up his head, as though scenting battle, and his face pales. Millicent, marking these signs of coming storm, enters the breach hastily.

I do think, Grant," she says, glancing insolently at her cousin from beneath half closed lids, "that when you try to be amusing you are the most unpardonably stupid person I ever met. Your jokes always make me feel inclined to weep."

In this instance" demands he, quickly his face darkening and an evil light coming into his eyes.

And in every other. One yawns enough in all conscience as one goes through life without being compelled to do it by those who would fain believe they stir our laughter. Give it up, my dear Grant, comedy is beyond you—the heavy business suits you better."

A glance at her cousin convinces her that she has amply revenged herself. His brow is as black as midnight, and his mouth has taken the old expression that means mischief. Massareene too, has added to his discomfiture by breaking into a gay laugh, that rouses Mrs Brand from her perusal of a review, as scurrilous as it is just, of a book written by a friend of hers, that she finds of engrossing interest—the review, that is, not the book.

"What is it?" asks she, looking up in high good humor. Really, the review has quite exceeded her expectations. "If it is anything amusing pray let me hear it. I have been so put out by a very harsh criticism on dear Fanny Elfwood's novel that I require something to cheer me. Some little jest of yours, Granit' Come, tell it to me, though I must say, my dear, you look more like an Othello this moment than one born in a merry hour. Ah, here comes tea at last. Just move my chair a little, will you? Thanks, dear Granit. I am fast becoming an old woman, eh?"

Granit is in just such a pleasant mood as urges him to tell her she is already among the frosts and snows of age, but prudence—a feeling more powerful with him

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Of the latest advices from Harrisburg indicate the passage through the Senate of the Additional Law Judge bill for the 36th District during the present week

Col Chas H Banks, one of the most popular Democrats of Philadelphia, declines to be sacrificed as the Democratic candidate for mayor He don't propose to be snowed under on the 15th inst

Judge Turpie Democrat, was elected United States Senator from Indiana, Wednesday last The friends of General Harrison will undoubtedly carry his case to the Senate of the United States

The Democrats who have been fighting "Boss Stand" all night as well surrender He has beaten them in every bout in which he chose to engage If they want anything in the future he is the man that can give it to them The Welfare men do not like it to be sure, but they can't help the matter

The high license law in Missouri seems to have been a success Four years ago there were 1401 liquor saloons in the State which produced a revenue of $547,720 Now there are 2,860 saloons, a decrease of 721 or 20 per cent, and the revenue from them is $1,842,500, an increase of over 300 per cent The lowest license fee is $500, and the highest $1,500

That particular member of Congress who wrote to one of the high officials of the Pennsylvania railroad for an annual pass must have felt chop-fallen when he received the following reply It would give me great pleasure to send the annual desired but as you know the Inter State Commerce bill, which passed the Senate, makes it a penal offence and as I presume it will pass your body in a few days, you will see, of course, that we cannot do any thing which would evade its provisions

The Republicans of Bradford may find in the Crawford county system of making nominations a panacea for their personal ills, but if they endeavor to spread that monstrosity over the county they will find that it will not go down It is the testimony of all those who have been working under that system for years past that it is the source of more corruption and rottenness than any other ever conceived That they [illegible] of the wiles of [illegible] they could there is no question

The appointment of Hon S H Longenecker to the position of Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth meets the approbation of all Republicans who know the man He represented the Bedford district in the State Senate during the regular and special sessions of 1885 and the session of 1885 with more than ordinary ability, and it is conceded on all hands that he is eminently qualified for the position to which he was recently called by Secretary Stone

General Cameron says that Mr Blaine is the choice of Pennsylvania for the Republican Presidential nomination in 1888 and that his son the Senator has no idea of being a candidate The old gentleman undoubtedly knows whereof he speaks in reference to his son's intentions, and he is certainly correct as to the choice of the Republicans of this State being for Mr Blaine If that gentleman lives, and will allow his name to be used for the Republican nomination, there is no power on earth that can prevent his receiving the vote of Pennsylvania in the next Republican National Convention

One of the incidents accompanying the convening of the legislature is for the opposition papers to talk about the time the Legislature is in session the first week or two They are now devoting considerable of their space to this idea and the conclusion would naturally be reached that they believed their readers to be fit subjects for an idiotic asylum They say that the Legislature was only in session seven hours the first two weeks and the cost to the State was fifty thousand dollars. The work of organizing the Legislature was never more expeditiously effected and no Legislature ever transacted as much important business during the first month of its existence as the present one did during the month of January just closed All but fools know that the most of the business of legislative bodies is transacted in committee rooms, and that considerable time is necessarily consumed in the formation of Committees during the first ten days or two weeks of the session

After the election in New Hampshire last November, the Prohibitionists pointed with pride to the votes cast for their gubernatorial candidate in his own town It was an unusually large vote for a temperance candidate to poll and even some of the Republican papers were willing to accept it as a verdict of the acreage and as attesting the home popularity of the head of the Prohibition ticket. But it has recently been discovered that each one of the men who voted that ticket has been 'donated' a barrel of flour and it is more than conjectured that the gift came from the late temperance candidate for Governor The Concord *Monitor* remarks that "there is an especial fitness in the use of flour by a temperance candidate as an electioneering argument, for what could be drier than flour" And it must be admitted the New Hampshire Prohibitionists have shown to candidates a novel way for obtaining a home endorsement.—Philadelphia *Press*

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

A bill has been introduced in the House for increasing the pay of the Deputy Attorney General from $1,800 to $2,500 The bill ought to pass for it requires the finest legal ability to fill that position with credit Robert Snodgrass, Esq, of Harrisburg one of the best lawyers at the Dauphin county bar, has been the deputy for the past five or six years and he absolutely declines to continue in the position because of the inadequacy of the compensation allowed, or of that which is proposed, for the large amount of work which is expected of him For the past twelve years the deputy has received $1,800 annually while the Attorney General's salary and fees have averaged every year not less than $11 500 During Mr Cassidy's term of four years he has passed $46 000

The deputy is required to remain at his post almost incessantly and is generally expected to prepare the details of all the important suits of the Commonwealth against corporations refusing to pay the tax claims, or which have provoked judicial action by violation of the Constitution and laws Mr Snodgrass did the bulk of the work in the suit against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for its connection with the scheme to absorb the South Pennsylvania road and for his services the Attorney General publicly thanked him in court So with many other cases tried in the Dauphin county court

The Attorney General's office had a very easy time of it the past eight years, while their predecessors have worked exceedingly hard on much more scanty salary A large portion of the quasi salary A large portion of the time of the Attorney General has been spent at home When Attorney General Palmer interposed constitutional objections to the payment of members of the Legislature for services beyond the $1 000 allowed a session of 100 days one of the officers of Legislature hunted up the record of the Attorney General and found that he had not been in the city one month in the entire year Mr Cassidy's record was not equal to that of his predecessor but it covered considerably more than half the year

All of the Supreme Judges of Pennsylvania, now in service will reach the end of their first or step if they serve out their respective terms Chief Justice Mercur will retire on the first Monday of January, 1888 when Gordon will become Chief Justice for one year Paxson will then become Chief Justice for seven years Trunkey will succeed to the first honor of the Court for three years Sterrett will follow Trunkey for one year Green will follow Sterrett for one year and Clark will follow Green for three years ending in 1890 It is understood that both Mercur and Gordon will be candidates for re election, and if again elected they would go to the foot of the bench as the Junior Judges with little hope of ever reaching the second Chief Justiceship away on in the next century There have been nine Chief Justices under the elective judiciary beginning in 1851 Jeremiah S Black Ellis Lewis, W H Lowrie, George W Woodward, James Thompson, John M Read Daniel Agnew George Sharswood, and Ulysses Mercur, and Chief Justice Gibson served as an elected and Junior Judge after he had been Chief Justice twenty four years Had he lived a few years longer, he would have attained the one ambition of his later years to die in the Chief Justiceship he had so long and so conspicuously honored

A Prohibition Amendment

The Republican members of the Legislature have promptly shown a disposition to propose the necessary legislation for the submission to the people of a prohibition amendment to the Constitution The caucus committee which was appointed to consider the subject is in favor of such legislation and there is good reason to believe that it will be passed without any unnecessary delay Governor Beaver, in his inaugural address took pains to declare his belief that the question of Prohibition should be submitted to the people fully promptly and fairly and the Republican leaders are disposed to agree with him

There ought to be no evasion of the question because the Republican party in the platform on which General Beaver and the Legislature were elected declared in distinct terms that the Legislature should submit such an amendment to the consideration of the people As General Beaver has said that pledge in the platform secured the votes of many citizens and it is only a matter of common justice that the pledge should be promptly and faithfully carried out Whether such an amendment is for the good of the people or not is a question that does not come into the discussion The only point at present to be remembered is that the promise to the people that they shall have an opportunity to express their opinion of such an amendment shall be fulfilled The necessary legislation as the Constitution as an after matter That can come up legitimately for discussion when the amendment is laid before the people

There has been a disposition in some quarters to criticise the action of the Republican party on the question of Prohibition and make shift intended of Prohibitionists in the order that the Prohibitionists in the party might be lulled to sleep This was a criticism which Mr Charles S Wolfe never wearied of advancing during the late canvass It was argued that the Republicans were not sincere in the pledge and that they would ultimately drop the question as a matter of that they would put the whole matter or that they would postpone it from session to session It will be the duty of the Republican leaders at Harrisburg to prove that these criticisms were groundless, and that the Republican administration will honorably and redeem by the Republican platform

There is no other way, indeed by which the prohibition question can be disposed of The Republicans must keep their promises If they do not keep their promises agitation will only grow stronger as a result of any evasion that may be practiced It will continue to come up as a perplexing problem in future years if it is not at once settled by facilitating a submission of the question directly to the people Not only must the present Legislature but also the legislature of 1889, pass such a resolution before a popular vote can be taken on the question of accepting or rejecting the amendment It will, therefore, be seen that such an election, which cannot take place until three months after the Legislature of 1889 has acted in the matter, is more than two years distant. Until more than two years Republican party should keep steadily in view the promises which it has made to the people, with out regard to the intrinsic merits of the question of Prohibition itself — Philadelphia *Bulletin*.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31 —The women are here again pleading piteously and eloquently for their rights, and telling the old, old story of their wrongs, just as they have done in Washington every successive winter for nineteen years. Many of the faces on the platform are familiar from their frequent journeyings to this Mecca of their hopes, and every year there are some new ones

There is something at once sublime and pathetic in their persistence They are undismayed Opposition is nothing Disappointments are nothing Yet nobody knows better than these women that they have expended a good deal of their strength upon men of straw, instead of on their husbands and sons and brothers.

During the very hour of the opening of their convention here the Senate rejected their proposed amendment to the Constitution giving women the right of suffrage by a vote of more than the necessary two thirds of thirty the to sixteen The ladies of Pelf next, to whom cause evil George F Edmunds and George F Hoar, if any you have why the said Jenny Cascadia, that she should not be divorced from your bonds of matrimony aforesaid to the Acts and Laws of Assembly in such cases made and provided Herein fail not.

Witness the Hon. A. P. BANNON, Sheriff of said County at Smethport, the 4th day of January, A. D. 1887.

Attest: A. P. BANNON, Sheriff.
MARTIN & MCCLURE, Attorneys for Libellant.
Jan 28 1887 w6.

Notice in Divorce.

No 2 May Term 1886.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONWEALTH of Pennsylvania to the sheriff of said county greeting:

Whereas, Louis Reichester in on the 2d day of February prox. will present his petition to our Court of Common Pleas, as the Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Absentee Rebellious.

We therefore command you the said Absentee Rebellious that you be and appear before Judges of our said Court of Common Pleas, at a session thereof to be held at the city of McKean on the 4th Monday of May next, then and there to answer the petition or libel of said Louis Reichester and to show cause why the said Louis Reichester should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony aforesaid and from all the benefits and privileges of wedlock and further to do and receive what our said Court shall consider in the premises.

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Notice.

THE following accounts have been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of McKean county, Pa., and will be presented to said Court at the Court House in Smethport, on Monday, the 14th day of February, A. D. 1887, for confirmation at the regular session of said Court, to commence on the third Monday of February, A. D. 1887:

First and final account of Thomas Brown, administrator of the estate of Calvin Brown, deceased.

First and final account of Robert Thompson, administrator of the estate of Calvin Cowgill, deceased.

First and final account of John A. Palmer executor of the last will and testament of Susannah Palmer, deceased.

First and final account of Francis E. Loop, administrator of the estate of Francis Loop, deceased.

First and final account of Lyman Lewis, executor of the last will and testament of John J. Lewis, deceased.

First and final account of Robert Thompson, guardian of Angie Black a minor child of Arthur Black deceased.

S. J. MCELROY, Register.
H. M. CHOATE, Deputy.
Smethport Pa Jan 26, 1887

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Subject to enforce the specific performance of a written contract for the sale of lands, in the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pennsylvania, at No 81, of October Term 1886

The said lands are bounded and described as follows, to wit: Certain tracts of land situate in the township of Norwich in the County of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the same being the same lands and being in the same two hundred and eighty-nine acres and allowance, being the same land contracted to be sold by John J Ridgway to T E Winans and T E Sterling, by written contract dated August 11 1865, the defendants claiming to hold the same as heirs and assignees of T E Winans and said T E Sterling.

Now to wit December 17 1886 the Sheriff of said County having returned the summons in the above entitled case that the defendants Winans or their heirs were not found in the bailiwick, and that he found no personal property or real estate of the said defendants residing on said lands, on motion of Morrison Apple Plaintiffs Attorneys the Court grant a rule on the above named defendants to appear on each of them to appear in said action of ejectment at and plead, or judgment will be granted against them by default.

Rule to be published as required by the Act of Assembly and this rule is made returnable on the Fourth Monday of February 1887.

BY THE COURT

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.
I, the undersigned Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County of McKean, do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the rule of Court in the above stated case as the same appears of record in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court this 17th day of December A. D. 1886.

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"It will mean that they have got to cease interference with our rights."

"But suppose they don't."

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Notice in Divorce.

No 26 May Term 1886.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONWEALTH of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county greeting:

Whereas, George F Aschu did on the 19th day of April 1886 prefer his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Jenny Aschu.

We therefore command you the said Jenny Aschu, that setting all other business and excuses whatsoever aside, and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas to be held in and for the county of McKean on the 4th Monday of May next, then and there to answer the petition or libel of said George F Aschu and to show cause why the said George F Aschu should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony aforesaid and from all the benefits and privileges of wedlock and further to do and receive what our said Court shall consider in the premises.

Witness the Hon. A. P. BANNON, Sheriff of said county at Smethport, the 4th day of January, A. D. 1887.

Attest: A. P. BANNON, Sheriff.
MARTIN & MCCLURE, Attorneys for Libellant.
Jan 28 1887 w6.

Notice in Divorce.

No 2 May Term 1886.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONWEALTH of Pennsylvania to the sheriff of said county greeting:

Whereas, Louis Reichester in on the 2d day of February prox. will present his petition to our Court of Common Pleas, as the Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Absentee Rebellious.

We therefore command you the said Absentee Rebellious that you be and appear before our Judges at our next Court of Common Pleas, at a session thereof to be held at the city of McKean on the 4th Monday of May next, then and there to answer the petition or libel of said Louis Reichester and to show cause why the said Louis Reichester should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony aforesaid and from all the benefits and privileges of wedlock and further to do and receive what our said Court shall consider in the premises.

Witness the Hon. A. P. BANNON, Sheriff of said county at Smethport, the 4th day of January, A. D. 1887.

Attest: A. P. BANNON, Sheriff.
O. H. WHEELER, Prothonotary.
Jan 28 1887 w6.

Notice.

THE following accounts have been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of McKean county, Pa., and will be presented to said Court at the Court House in Smethport, on Monday, the 14th day of February, A. D. 1887, for confirmation at the regular session of said Court, to commence on the third Monday of February, A. D. 1887:

First and final account of Thomas Brown, administrator of the estate of Calvin Brown, deceased.

First and final account of Robert Thompson, administrator of the estate of Calvin Cowgill, deceased.

First and final account of John A. Palmer executor of the last will and testament of Susannah Palmer, deceased.

First and final account of Francis E. Loop, administrator of the estate of Francis Loop, deceased.

First and final account of Lyman Lewis, executor of the last will and testament of John J. Lewis, deceased.

First and final account of Robert Thompson, guardian of Angie Black a minor child of Arthur Black deceased.

S. J. MCELROY, Register.
H. M. CHOATE, Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., Jan 26, 1887.

Legal Notice.

The Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities Executor of the will of John Ridgway late of the City of Philadelphia deceased, vs. Winans Allen Winans, Ira Winans, Mary Winans Winans, Sarah Winans Winans, Homer Winans, Emily Winans Winans and John Winans, heirs and devisees of Thomas Winans deceased of

To the Sheriff of McKean County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to make known to the said Winans, Ira Winans, Mary Winans Winans, Sarah Winans Winans, Homer Winans, Emily Winans Winans and John Winans, heirs and devisees of Thomas Winans deceased of

that they be and appear before our Judges at our next Court of Common Pleas to be held at Smethport in and for the county of McKean on the 4th Monday of May next, then and there to answer the complaint of the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities executor of the will of John Ridgway late of the City of Philadelphia deceased, and to show cause why the said Winans, Ira Winans, Mary Winans Winans, Sarah Winans Winans, Homer Winans, Emily Winans Winans and John Winans, heirs and devisees of Thomas Winans deceased of

Subject to enforce the specific performance of a written contract for the sale of lands, in the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pennsylvania at No 81, of October Term 1886

The said lands are bounded and described as follows, to wit: Certain tracts of land situate in the township of Norwich in the County of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the same being the same lands and being in the same two hundred and eighty-nine acres and allowance, being the same land contracted to be sold by John J Ridgway to T E Winans and T E Sterling, by written contract dated August 11 1865, the defendants claiming to hold the same as heirs and assignees of T E Winans and said T E Sterling.

Now to wit December 17 1886 the Sheriff of said County having returned the summons in the above entitled case that the defendants Winans or their heirs were not found in the bailiwick, and that he found no personal property or real estate of the said defendants residing on said lands, on motion of Morrison Apple Plaintiffs Attorneys the Court grant a rule on the above named defendants to appear on each of them to appear in said action of ejectment at and plead, or judgment will be granted against them by default.

Rule to be published as required by the Act of Assembly and this rule is made returnable on the Fourth Monday of February 1887.

BY THE COURT

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.
I, the undersigned Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County of McKean, do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the rule of Court in the above stated case as the same appears of record in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court this 17th day of December A. D. 1886.

O. H. WHEELER, Prothonotary.
Smethport, Pa., Dec. 15 1886-6t

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S. G. STUCKEL.
East Smethport, Pa., Jan. 12—4t

Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has transferred the uncollected duplicates of the State and County Taxes of Keating township for the year 1885 to M. N. Allen, Esq. All persons having them to pay are requested to call and settle the same, and there will be costs added.

A. J. BOND, Collector.
Keating Township, Jan 25, 1887 3t.

Notice of Appeals.

THE APPEALS OF THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS of McKean County will be held at the Commissioner's Office, in Smethport, Pa. on the 8th day of February 1887

The attention of persons interested is respectfully directed to the following extract from the law governing appeals from assessments

"Provide that the Commissioners shall not make any allowance or abatement in the valuation of any real estate in any other year than that in which the Triennial Assessment is made that in which the Triennial Assessment is made excepting when building and other improvements have been destroyed subsequent to such Triennial Assessment." P. L. 1858 page 574, Section 12. Also all parties that are assessed with money at interest, for which no abatement has been made will take notice that by appearing at Commissioner's office on or before above date can have same adjusted

R. A. RICE,
W. D. GAITUP, County Comrs.
A. RILEY,
Attest: M. B. GOSS, Comrs Clerk
Smethport Pa Jan 25, 1887 3t

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF VENDITIONI EXPONAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County Pa, and to me directed I will expose at public sale on the premises in the borough of Smethport, on MONDAY, Feb 14 1887 at 9 o'clock a. m. and the second piece on the premises ON TUESDAY Feb 15 1887 at 10 o'clock a. m. all the defendant's interest in the following described pieces of real estate

No 1

All the defendant's interest in the following pieces or parcels of land situate in the township of Lafayette, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania known and described as follows viz: Beginning at a post marking the southwest corner of lands conveyed by Hiram Hall to Thomas Patner in the east line of lot No 99 in the Minard Run tract thence along said Patner's south line 86 degrees east 94 100 rods to an iron wood tree, southeast corner thereof, south 3 degrees 30 minutes west 97 38-100 rods to a post in the north line of warrant 2207 north 86 degrees west 94 rods to a post, north 3 degrees east 97 38-100 rods to the place of beginning containing 57 acres and allowance of 6 per cent for roads. Also all that piece or parcel of land being the same as surveyed on warrant No 100 in warrant 274 south west part of lot No 100 in warrant 274 as surveyed and platted out by J Opperman, beginning at the northeast corner thereof and surveyed to survey and being the same land H Johnson et al by deed dated the 4th day of Feby 1881 and recorded in the Recorders office in McKean county in Deed Book [illegible] page [illegible] Improvements [illegible] one frame barn [illegible] one frame house [illegible] one frame barn [illegible] sixty fruit trees and a [illegible] orchard.

No 2

ALSO—All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Otto township in McKean county and State of Pennsylvania and part of warrant 3 4 3 particularly described in a deed from the Commissioners office in the Wesley Chambers for on the Lary S Anderson tract 160 acres surveyed in the name of Smith thence south 45 degrees west 42 rods to a post thence south 45 degrees east 42 rods to a post thence south 45 degrees west 42 rods to a post thence north 45 degrees west 42 rods to the place of beginning containing 10 acres more or less with the wells and machinery thereon subject to reservation contained in deed from Samuel C. Smith to Samuel C. Smith recorded in the Recorders office in McKean county in Liber 2 page 766, reference being had to said deed for further description of the premises.

Seized taken in execution and will be sold as the property of W. Van Kirk and at the suit of Morris Fisher & Co. Limited.

LEE & Hastings, Pltffs Attys.

A. P. BANNON Sheriff
Sheriff's Office Smethport Pa Jan 7 1887

Court Proclamation.

The Hon A. C. Mussey President Judge of the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery quarter sessions of the peace beginning on the second Monday of February next and Court of Common Pleas to commence on the third Monday of February next and to continue two weeks and the Orphans' Court to commence on the first Monday of February next and to continue one week and the Register's Court to commence on the first Monday of February next and to continue one week and the Court of Quarter Sessions to commence on the first Monday of February next and to continue one week and the

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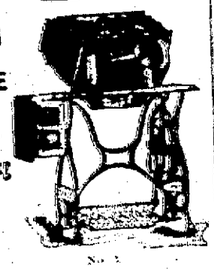

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Do not turn the wick of a lamp low; spare the patient the annoyance of smelling the oil—a result sure to follow the breathing of a wick—by placing the lamp behind a screen. A sick room ought never to be swept or dusted in so vigorous a manner as to raise the heart-particles of dust. Pick up shreds, crumbs and bits of litter, and wipe off the dust with a damp cloth.

When the invalid is able to sit up in bed a tray like table, two or three feet long by fifteen inches wide, with legs six or seven inches long screwed to its corners, will be found convenient. It can be placed across the lap and food held upon it without fatiguing the patient.

An Electric Hat for Neuralgia.

An English wig-maker has invented an electric hat, which he claims is a perfect cure for nervous headaches and neuralgia. The apparatus consists of a small battery placed inside the lining of an ordinary silk hat, with the ends terminals outside the lining, so that when the hat is put on a current of electricity passes between the terminals and diffuses itself all over the wearer's head.

Benefits of a Good Laugh.

Perhaps there is not the remotest corner or little inlet of the minute blood vessels of the body, says The Scientific American, that does not feel some wavelet from the great convulsive power produced by hearty laughter shaking the general man. The blood moves more lively; probably its chemical, electric or vital conditions are distinctly modified. It conveys a different impression to all the organs of the body, as it visits them on that particular mysterious journey, when the man is laughing, from what it does at other times. And thus it is that a good laugh lengthens a man's life by conveying a distinct and additional stimulus to the vital forces. The time may come when to now to the innumerable subtle influences which the soul exerts upon its tenement of clay, shall prescribe to the cowpid patient, "so many peals of laughter to be undergone at such and such a time," just as they do that far more objectionable prescription—a pill, or an electric or galvanic shock.

Physiological Clothing.

It is Dr. Lopez, of Philadelphia, who is reported as saying that a boy's jacket or overcoat should have what are called breast pockets; the opening should be high, and as far back as possible, parallel with and in the line of the head, instead of low down and transverse, as usually found in the ordinary jacket or overcoat. The trousers ought to have, according to the same authority, what are termed hip pockets, and no others. It will then be apparent that, while the hands are in the pockets, a letter, if not a perfect position, will be secured, and the boy spared the many admonitions to keep his hands out of his pockets.

ETIQUETTE.

Manners and Social Usages Practiced in Public Society.

There is one fashion pertaining to stationary which has never changed, never will change, which is always in good taste and represents to-day the most perfect of all styles. The fashion referred to is good, plain, thick note paper, folded square, put into a square envelope and sealed with sealing wax, which bears the imprint of one's initials, monogram or other device.

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Invitations to Receptions.

Invitations to day or evening receptions are generally "at home" cards. A lady may use her own visiting cards for an 5 o'clock tea. For other entertainments—"music," "lawn tennis," "garden party," or "readings and recitals" may be engraved in one corner or written in by the lady herself.

The question is often asked, "Should invitations be sent to people in mourning?" Etiquette answers yes. No one would willingly intrude on a house in which has just occurred a death, but after one month's time, although an idle compliment, invitations are sent as usual.

Hints For Those Who Need Them.

Paper and envelopes are stamped in black, with crest, coat of arms, initial or street address, in deep mourning; during half mourning, in French gray or silver and black illuminated.

Always keep step with the person you are walking with.

When dining with others, endeavor to eat so as to finish the course at the same time with them.

In America a woman, if she be quietly dressed and deport herself with dignity, can go anywhere and do almost anything without fear of insult.

It has long been an accepted idea that a gentleman is well dressed when his attire in every particular is such as to attract no special attention. In other words, a well dressed man is one whose costume is conspicuous neither for over elegance nor shabbiness.

Do not cut your bread at the table, but break it.

Do not pare an apple, peach or pear for another without holding it with a fork.

One definition of manners—"A velvet slipper rather than a woollen shoe."

A Gentleman's Hat and Coat.

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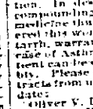

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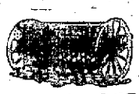

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An Acquisition to the Silver Leaved Class of Plantsnails the Poultry Yard and Among the Bees—How to Skin a Calf.

Farmers are often called upon to skin a calf, sheep or beef animal, and when this job is done in a bungling manner, as not infrequently occurs, the hide is greatly depreciated in value. An injudicious use of the knife renders an otherwise valuable hide almost worthless. The Southern Cultivator shows, by means of a diagram similar to the one here given, the shape of a hide that has been properly taken off; also one where the work was carelessly done.

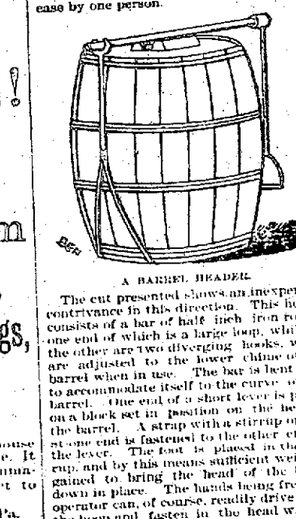


DIAGRAM OF A HIDE.

The left hand side, No. 1, can be worked up into boots, harness, belts, or for other purposes with very little waste, while the right hand side is badly damaged by the deep cuts toward the middle.

The Leather Review gives the following instructions for taking off and preserving the hides: In taking off a hide or calf-skin never cut the throat crosswise in the least. Slit the skin from the brisket to the tail, and from the brisket to the jaw; then cut around each leg to the hoof. Slit the hind leg from the hoof up directly front, directly over the knee, to the top of the brisket bone. This leaves the hide or skin, then, in the proper shape for finishing. Skin the head and legs carefully, to avoid cutting them; then, commencing at the head, draw off the skin without any further use of the knife, thereby avoiding the holes and cuts that spoil so many calfskins. Some farmers use a windlass to draw off the dairy skins and others use a horse; but one or two men can do it a great deal more quickly and easily. When taken off lay the hide or skin flat on the floor in a cool place where the sun cannot shine upon it, and cover it with salt, rather fine salt being better than too coarse salt. Do not roll it up, but let it remain in the salt until you take off another; then place that one upon the other, salting freely as before, and so on until you get enough to make quite a pile; then commence another pile in the same manner. Do not be afraid to use salt freely, what the skins do not require will shake off and can be used again.

A Convenient Barrel Header.

As a rule it requires two persons to head a barrel so that the fruit or other contents will be sufficiently compressed to keep it from rolling about during transit. There are barrel headers, however, by the aid of which a barrel may be headed with ease by one person.

A BARREL HEADER.

The cut presented shows an inexpensive contrivance in this direction. This header consists of a bar of half inch iron rod, at one end of which is a large loop, while at the other are two diverging hooks, which are adjusted to the lower chime of the barrel when in use. The bar is bent so as to accommodate itself to the curve of the barrel. One end of a short lever is placed on a block set in position on the head of the barrel. A strap with a stirrup or loop to one end is fastened to the other end of the lever. The foot is placed in the stirrup, and by this means sufficient weight is gained to bring the head of the barrel down in place. The hands being free, the operator can, of course, readily drive down the hoop and fasten in the head without assistance.

Cracked Corn For Poultry.

The principal reason for cracking corn is to get it small enough so that the chickens can swallow it without inconvenience.

This is all very well, provided the poultry keeper chances to live near a mill, or possesses a mill of his own. It happens, however, that many cannot procure cracked corn as often as desirable, yet have ample facilities for growing corn. To this class The Poultry World suggests the growing of corn with naturally very small kernels. There are varieties of pop corn which meet the case, and furnish a smallest kernels of any variety, and at the same time affords large sized ears to a goodly number on the stalk, so that it yields well.

Keeping Onions.

Every year, says Joseph Harris in New England Farmer, we have many letters asking us for some method of keeping seed onions. In our own case we should not try to keep them, unless it were a few bushels for family use. Sell them for what you can get and pocket the loss. There are many ways of keeping good, sound, ripe, dry onions. The great point is to keep them dry. But you must recollect that even a ripe, dry onion contains at least 80 per cent. of water, and when a large mass of them are kept together they are liable to "sweat," and the skins and tops become damp; and if the temperature is above freezing they will throw out roots and commence to grow, just as they would in the damp soil. If it is necessary to keep them in a large mass, put them in a dry place, such as a shed or barn; then they will freeze solid, and stay frozen till wanted in spring. They must be well covered to keep them from thawing, and you should avoid putting them in a barn with a basement underneath, where horses, cattle, sheep or hogs are kept, as the warmth from the animals might thaw them out. We have kept them perfectly on the east side of a north and south wall, where the snow drifts several feet high and remains till spring. They were simply covered with cornstalks and leaves.

Sheep in a Yard.

Professional sheep growers seldom turn sheep into a yard with other stock. They have learned by experience that it does not pay. In the case of high priced blooded stock it has sometimes been pretty dear experience.

The farmer who keeps but few sheep and has never made a special study of the business cannot do better than to follow the example of those who have; yet we notice that it is the almost invariable custom with such farmers to allow their sheep to take their chances among the mixed stock of the common yard.

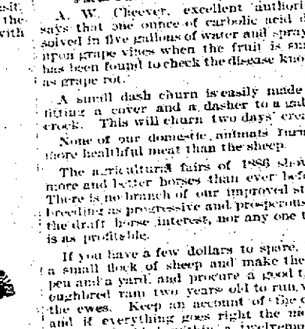
In most cases they are obliged to get their living from the straw stack, or ricks of hay around which vicious horned cattle hold sway. Many of the more timid of the flock will go hungry before they will jeopardize themselves by crowding themselves in to get a small share of the common rations.

Unless a sheep is killed outright, the owner is seldom aware of an injury when it occurs. It is a matter of great wonder to him, however, that he has no more lambs from so many ewes. Looking at the matter understandingly it is a greater wonder that he has any, or that half his ewes remain alive.

It costs but little to have an extra yard for the sheep opening off their own pen or house. A few feet of lumber and a few hours' time can be well expended here. The man who makes proper provision for his sheep in this way is not the man who says: "There ain't no profit in sheep, anyway. I just keep a few to eat up the odds and ends," as a farmer remarked to the writer only a few days ago.—Indiana Farmer.

New Silver Geraniums.

The new silver geranium introduced to the horticultural world as "Madame Salleroi" and catalogued last season with new plants by Peter Henderson, Vick and other leading seedsmen, is considered as a great acquisition to the silver leaved class.



MADAME SALLEROI.

It is an entirely distinct variety. The leaves are deep olive green in the center, with a broad white margin. The plant is of very compact growth, symmetrical in form, with a dense growth of foliage and of dwarf habit. It is a splendid variety to grow in pots as a specimen plant, or to use for bedding or borders.

Best Varieties of Bees.

At a recent meeting of bee keepers the subject discussed was "Best Varieties of Bees." Professor Cook said that no one variety possesses all the good qualities, but that we must cross the best sorts and thus eliminate the undesirable characteristics and promote the good ones. A. J. Root stated that his colony of Carniolans were strongest in the spring and begun rearing brood first, but it stored no surplus. Many of his patrons will have hybrids only, and he questioned if it is profitable for honey producers to breed for any pure race. Mr. Taylor agreed with Mr. Root, and said he was certain the time had come when apiarists must feed bees for business, regardless of color or markings. He had found Italians very cross at time of hiving.

A Good Word For the Goat.

The healthfulness of goat's milk is a well known fact, and in many parts of Europe these animals are kept with decided profit. Professor Long, of England, advises people who cannot afford the luxury of a cow to keep a goat, because it can be kept cheaper than any other animal and will yield a profitable return in milk. He thinks the expense of maintaining one would not exceed $5 a year, while it will eat almost any kind of food and yield from one and one-half to two quarts of milk a day, worth at least eight cents a quart.

Oregon Woman at the Plow.

An Oregon exchange tells of the exploits of a married woman in Grant county. When plowing time came she constructed a box on the plow in which to carry her baby, and thus she plowed the ground. She then proceeded to harrow, plant and cultivate, carrying the child on her back, and in this way produced a fine crop, which she carried to a neighboring town and sold.

Facts Farmers Ought to Know.

A. W. Cheever, excellent authority, says that one ounce of carbolic acid dissolved in five gallons of water and sprayed upon grape vines when the fruit is small has been found to check the disease known as grape rot.

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Household Servants in Capetown.

But, notwithstanding the hordes of Malays with which Capetown swarms, and Kaffirs from every tribe in South Africa, not forgetting the half-breeds of every shade, the household servants are the great trouble of the ladies; the good-natured colored ones are not particularly fond of work, and imported white maid servants, who are in great demand, would be just as bad in a short time—they would soon catch the indolent fever. The air is full of it, and every one seems to have it more or less.—Cor. New York Graphic.

Tendency to Commit Suicide.

It would seem that with age people outgrow the tendency to commit crime. Mr. Z. R. Brockway in The Forum points out that of 15,000 prisoners in New York state 10,000 of them are not more than 30 years of age, while probably 8,000 are under 25 years.—New York Mail and Express.

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